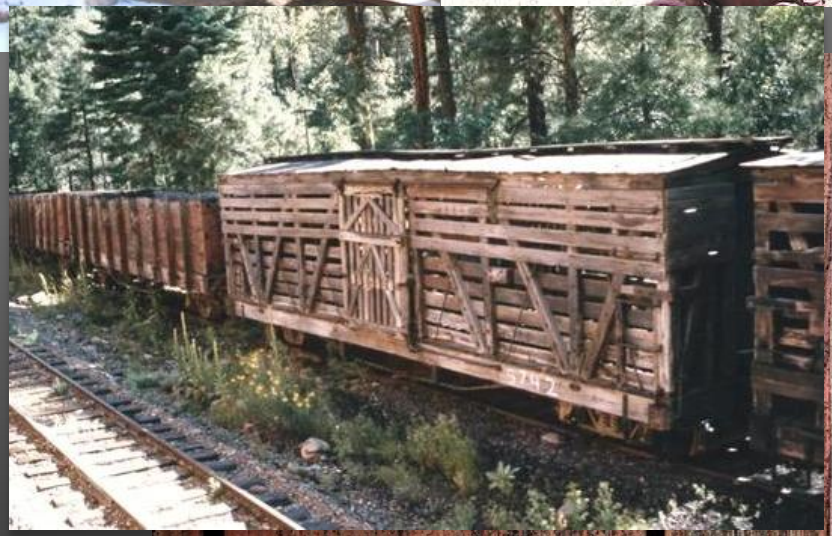

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WHY STYRENE ?

- EASY TO FABRICATE
- PARTS ASSEMBLE QUICKLY
- ABUNDANCE OF SHAPES AND SHEET STOCK
- STABLE
- ABLE TO DEPICT OTHER MATERIALS – STEEL, BRICK, WOOD
- GRANDT LINE PARTS

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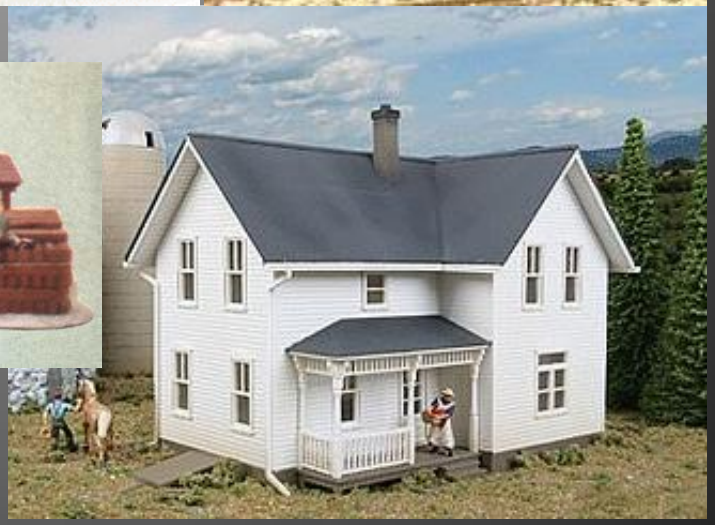

abundance of plastic kits depicting wood structures

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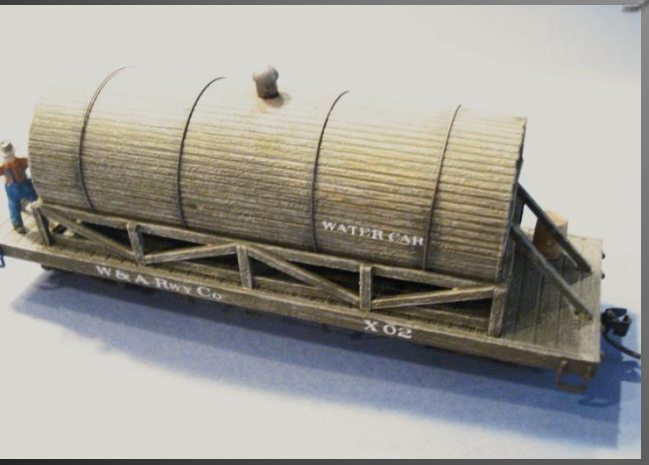

and wood rolling stock

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Reasonably easy to make styrene look like newly painted wood

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IHC old time water car

Roughed up the edge

Dry brushed the texture on the kit

early effort at technique

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wood

styrene

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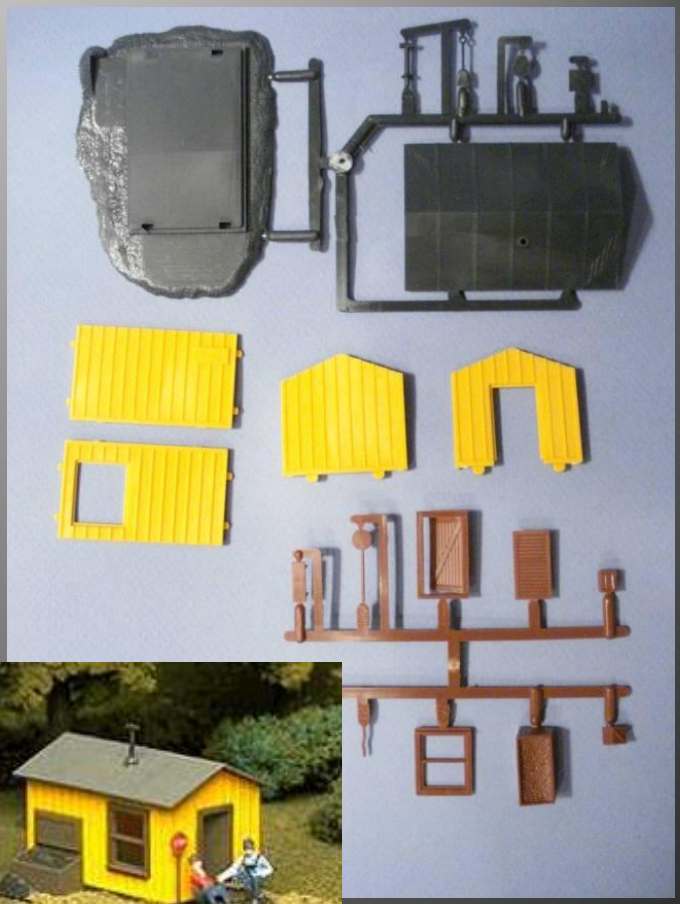

scratch build from styrene stock

styrene kit

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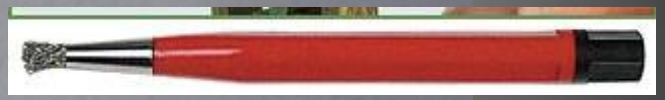
2 PHASES TO AGING AND WEATHERING

1ST IS ADDING TEXTURE



distressing brush

TOOLS: Razor saw, #11 blade, fiberglass or metal eraser, files, and sandpaper

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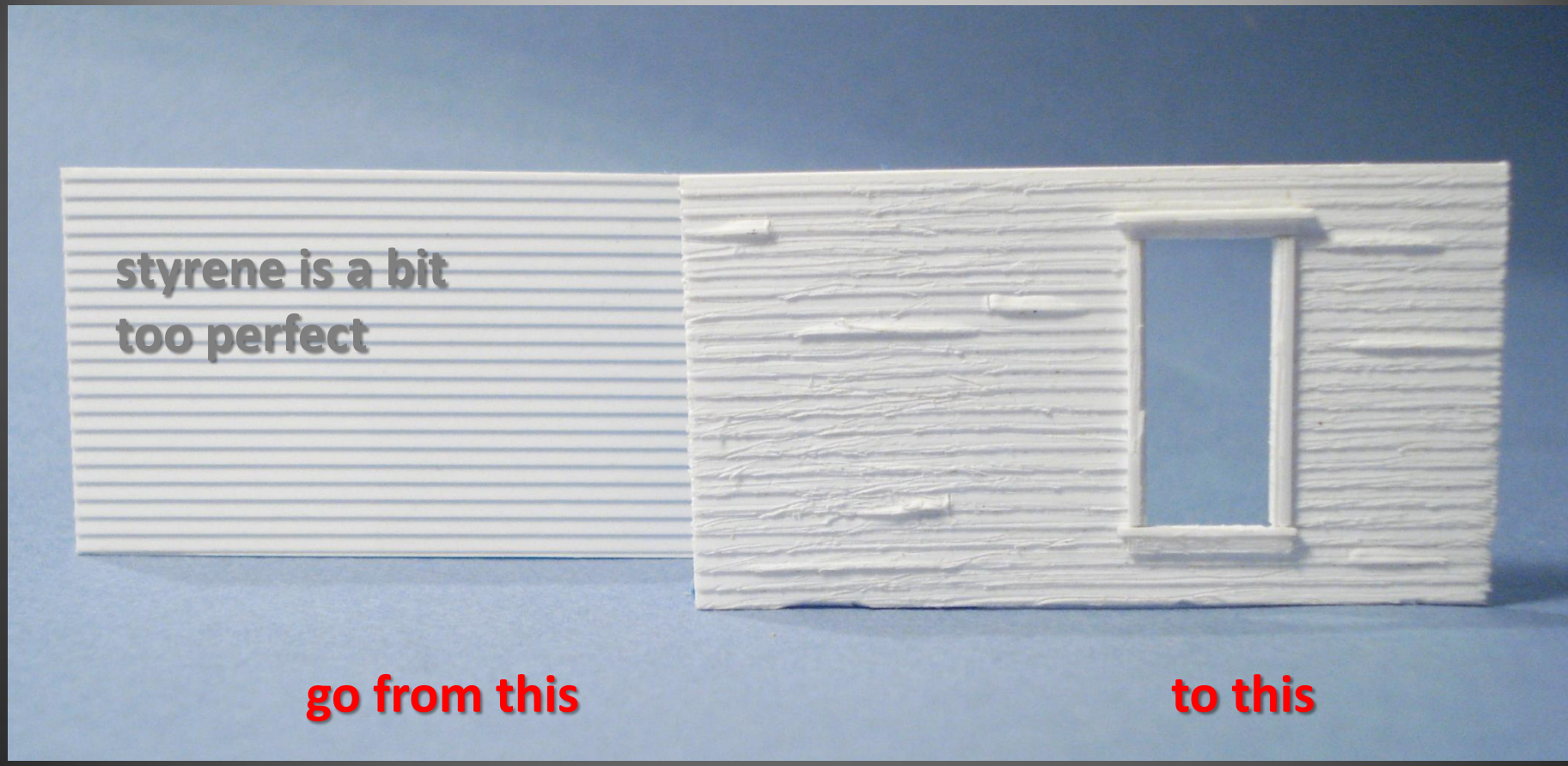

ADD TEXTURE

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add texture to the styrene with a razor saw …….

you can be aggressive!

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slice under random boards to raise

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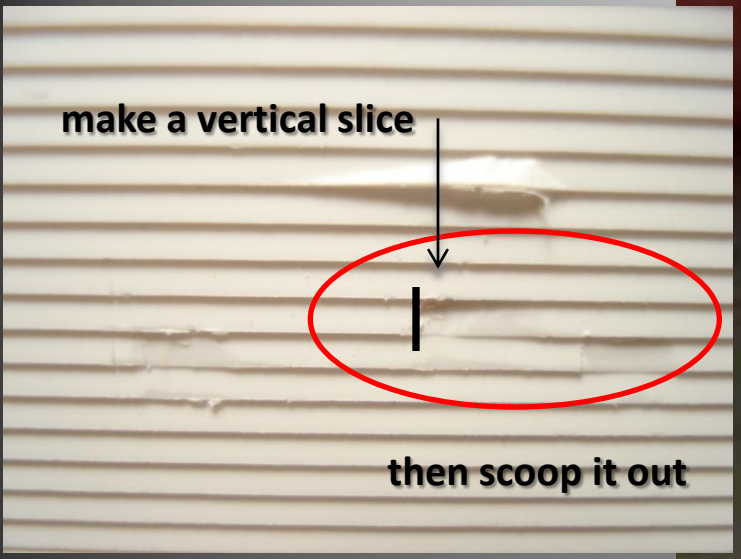

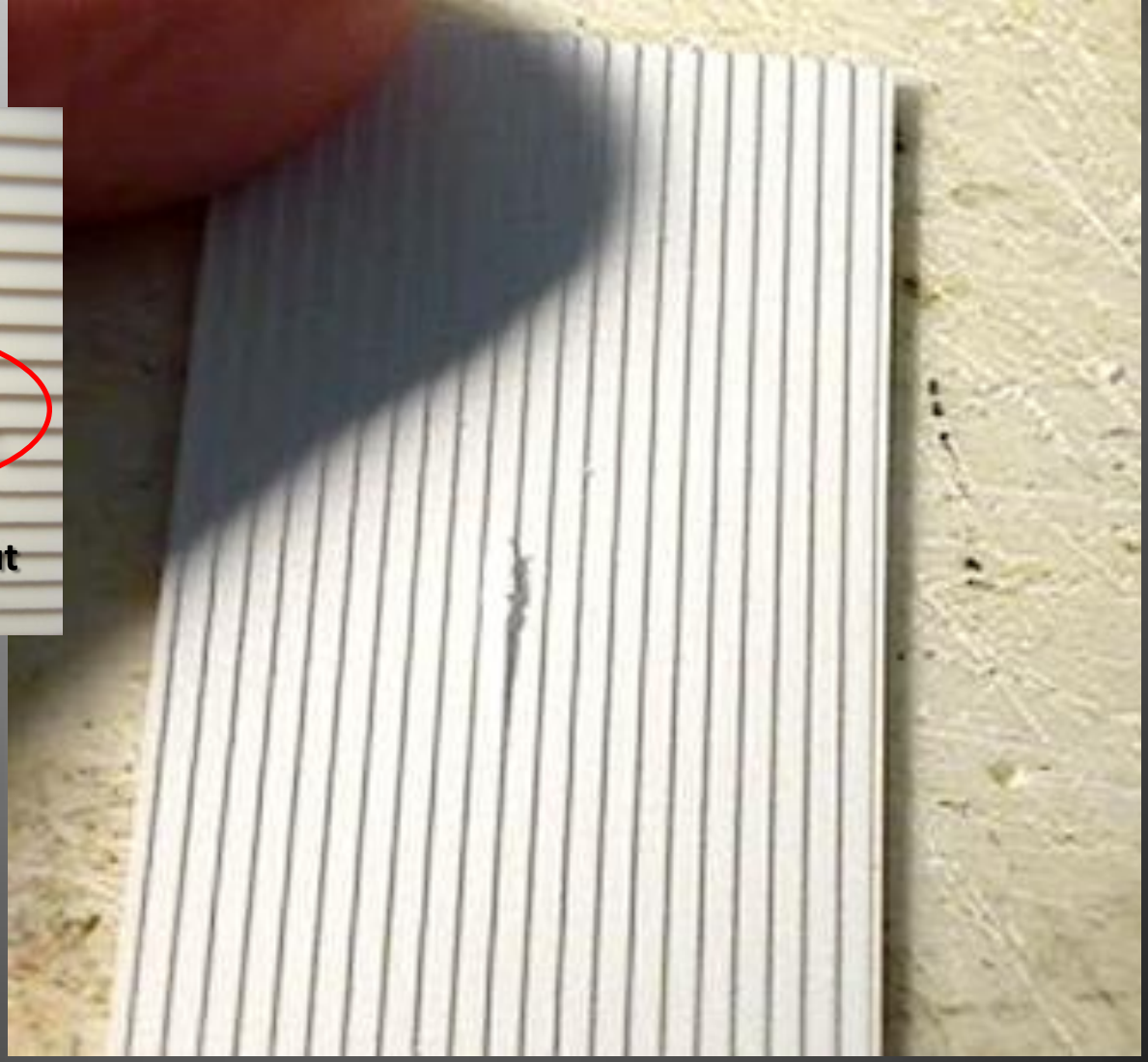

create uneven surfaces – carve and shave some boards

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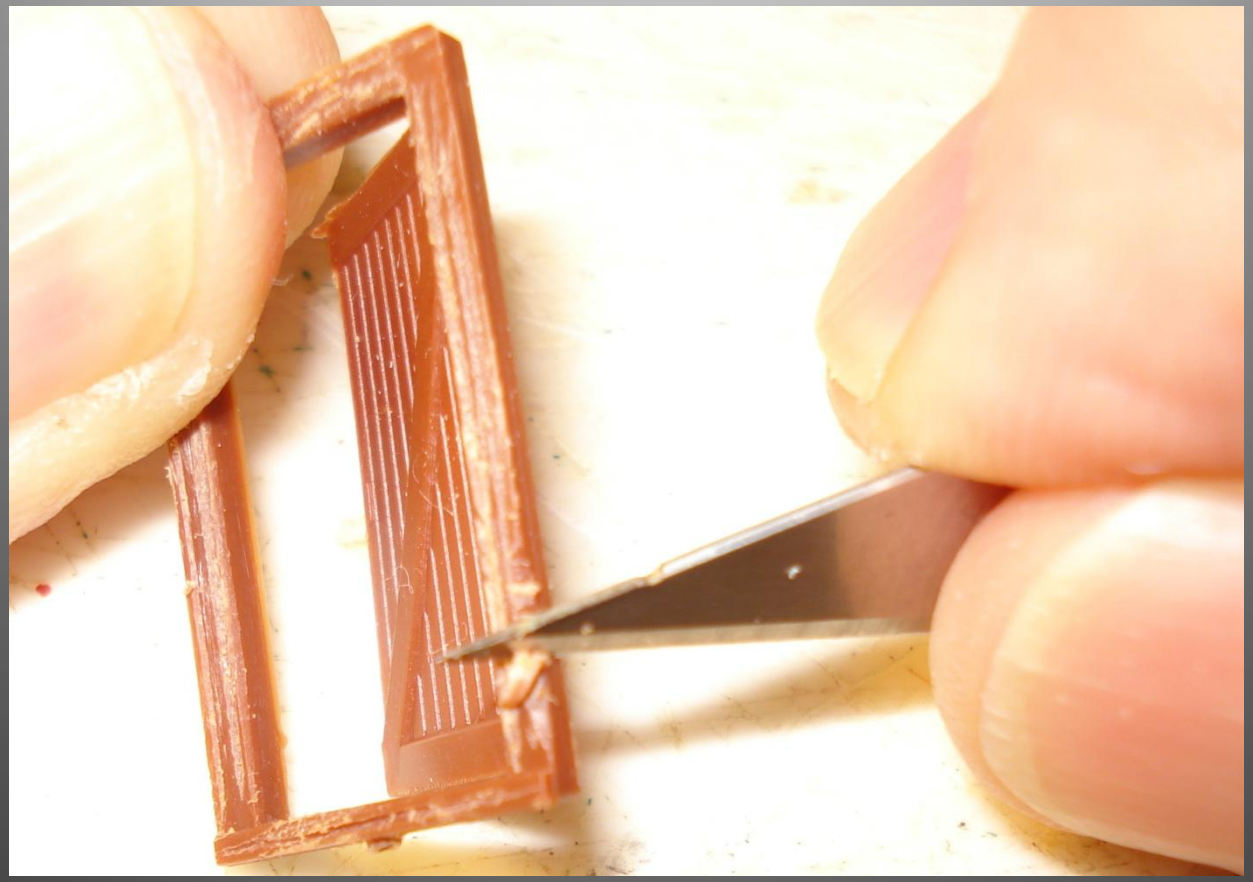

create uneven surfaces – carve members

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unpainted wood

where we are going -
2 possibilities

painted wood

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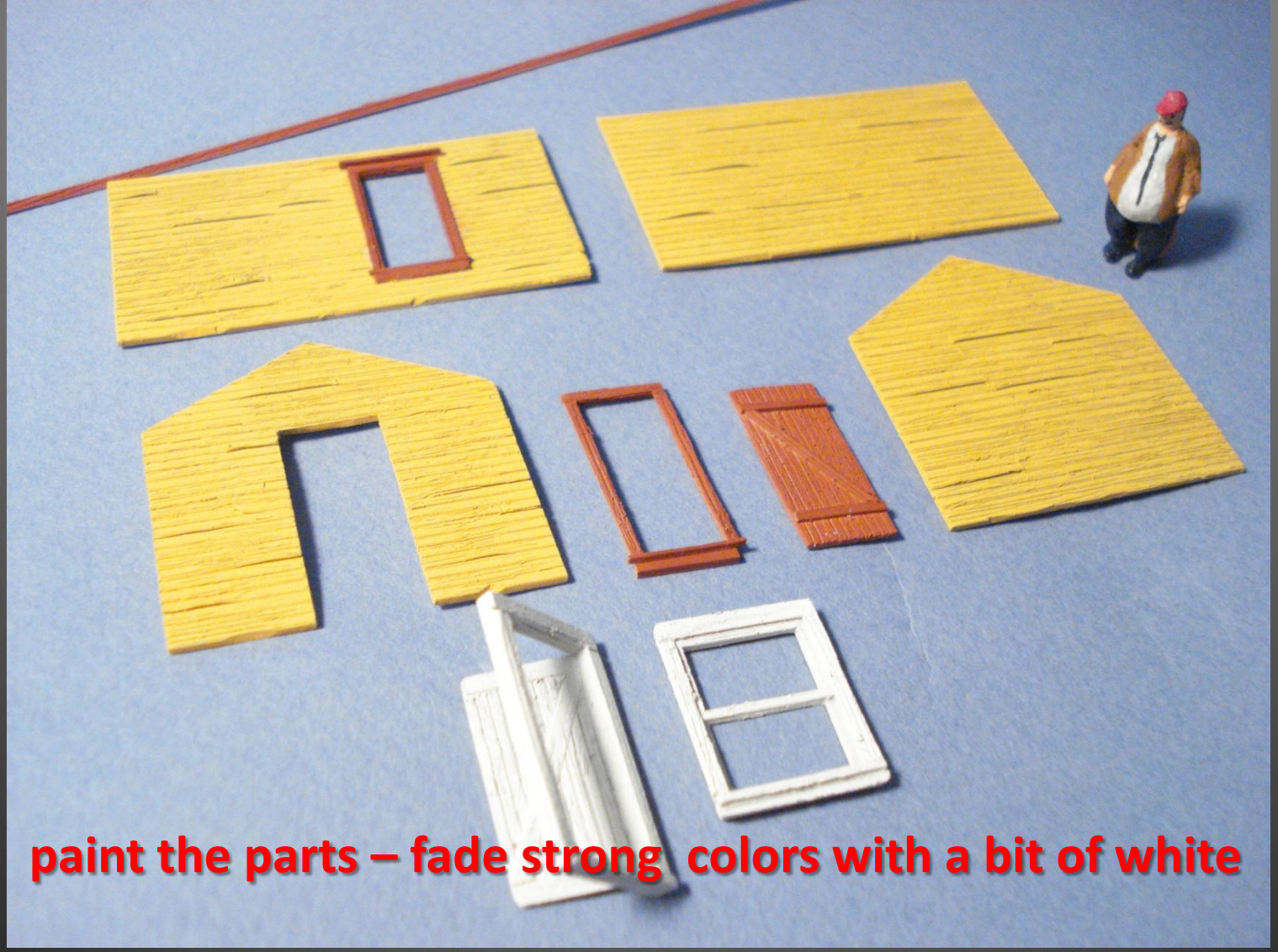

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add decals now

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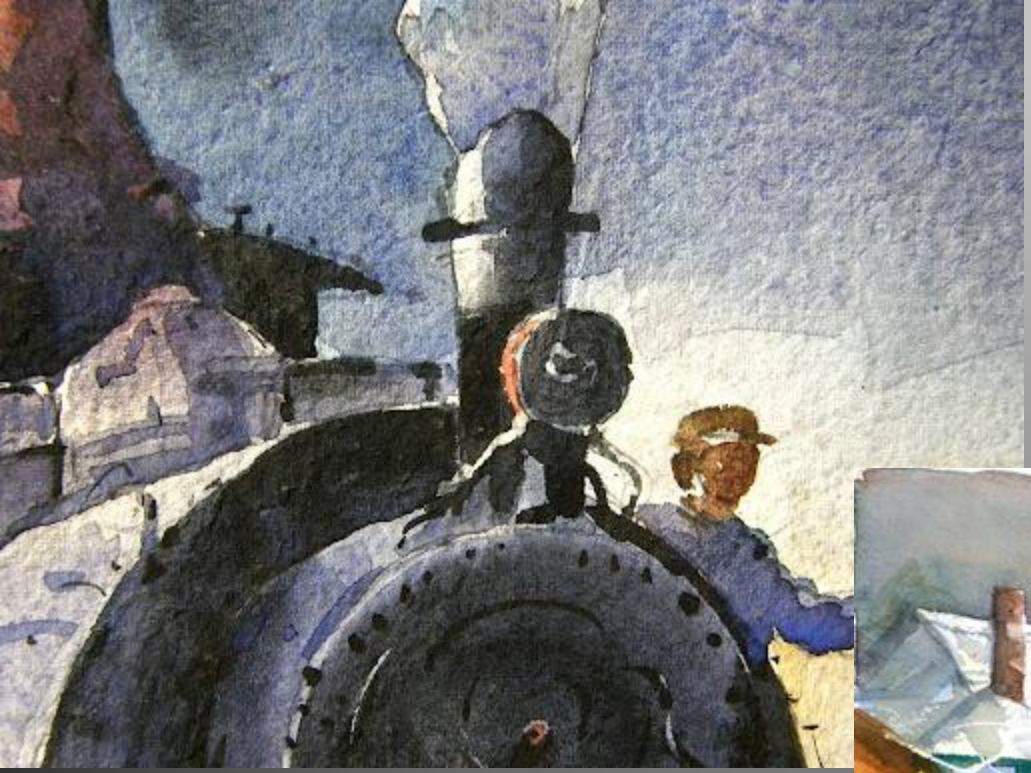

water color is not a precise medium

sooo practice

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wet down the surface well

UNPAINTED WOOD

- flow water color on – sienna, umber, and black – easy on the black
- white as a direct hit here and there
- pull the color down the wall, the direction water would run

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water color over primer

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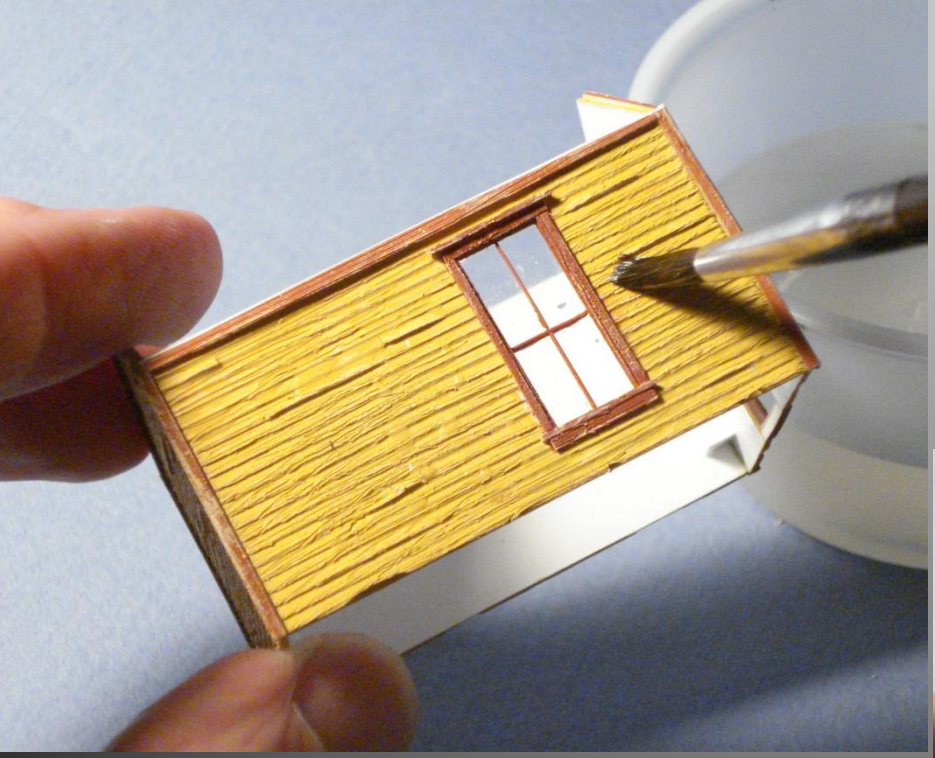

wet down the surface
I use #4 brush

flow on water color – sienna, umber and black
white as a direct hit here and there
pull the color down the wall, the direction water would run

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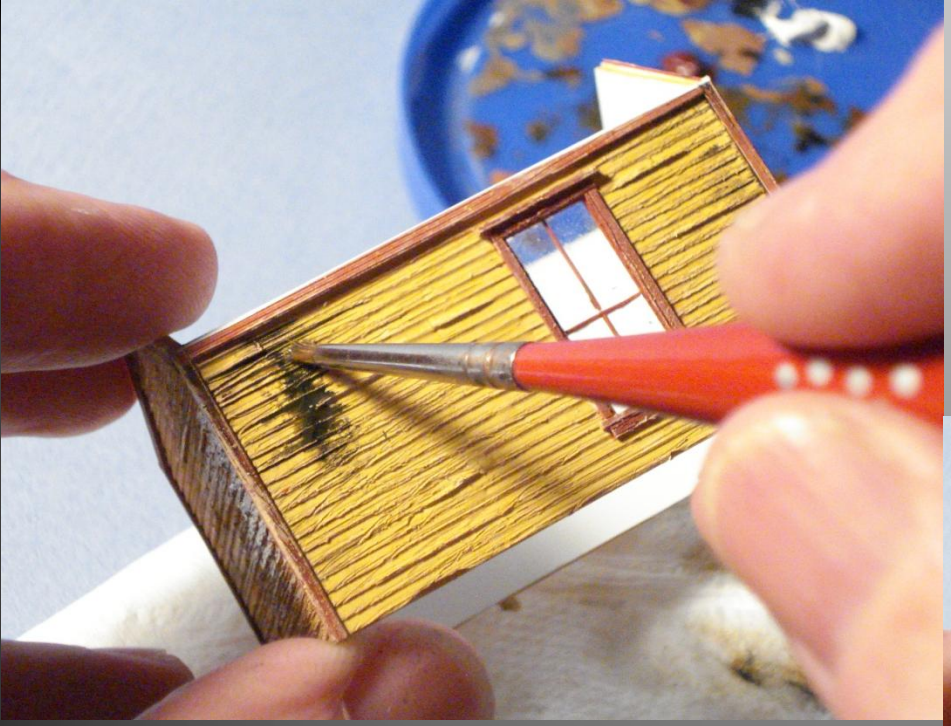
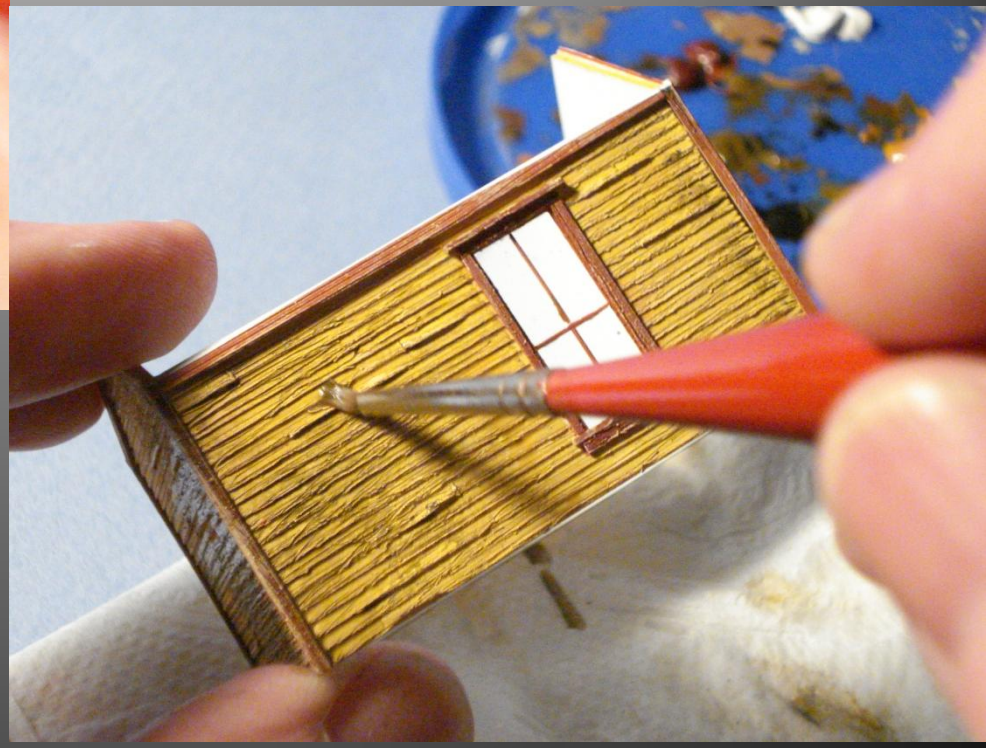


but beauty of watercolor, just add water to dilute and dab brush on towel to blot as you thin the paint



OOOPS – black is intense, so use VERY sparingly

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prototype

yellow wall weathered

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Our scratch built yellow shack

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Our kit built shack

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